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For: DEVICE FOR APPLYING AND HEAT-SHRINKING PLASTICS LABELS,  
AND PROCESS FOR APPLYING SAID LABELS

RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS

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Sir:

In response to the accompanying Notification of Missing Requirements mailed May 12, 2006, in connection with the above-identified application, attached is the executed Declaration of the Applicant in compliance with 37 C.F.R. §1.497.

The surcharge under 37 C.F.R. §1.492(e) for a small entity was paid at the time of filing.

To the extent necessary during prosecution, Applicant hereby requests any required extension of the time not otherwise requested and hereby authorizes the Commissioner to charge any prescribed fee not otherwise provided for, including application processing, extension, and extra claims fees, to Deposit Account No. 25-0120.

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**NOTIFICATION OF MISSING REQUIREMENTS UNDER 35 U.S.C. 371 IN THE UNITED STATES DESIGNATED/ELECTED OFFICE (DO/EO/US)**

The following items have been submitted by the applicant or the IB to the United States Patent and Trademark Office as a Designated / Elected Office (37 CFR 1.495).

- Indication of Small Entity Status
- Copy of the International Application filed on 09/22/2005
- Copy of the International Search Report filed on 09/22/2005
- Preliminary Amendments filed on 09/22/2005
- Information Disclosure Statements filed on 09/22/2005
- Request for Immediate Examination filed on 09/22/2005
- U.S. Basic National Fees filed on 09/22/2005
- Priority Documents filed on 09/22/2005
- Specification filed on 09/22/2005
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- Drawings filed on 09/22/2005

The following items **MUST** be furnished within the period set forth below in order to complete the requirements for acceptance under 35 U.S.C. 371:

- Oath or declaration of the inventors, in compliance with 37 CFR 1.497(a) and (b), identifying the application by the International application number and international filing date.

**ALL OF THE ITEMS SET FORTH ABOVE MUST BE SUBMITTED WITHIN TWO (2) MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF THIS NOTICE OR BY 32 MONTHS FROM THE PRIORITY DATE FOR THE APPLICATION, WHICHEVER IS LATER. FAILURE TO PROPERLY RESPOND WILL RESULT IN ABANDONMENT.**

The time period set above may be extended by filing a petition and fee for extension of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

Applicant is reminded that any communications to the United States Patent and Trademark Office must be mailed to the address given in the heading and include the U.S. application no. shown above (37 CFR 1.5)

*A copy of this notice **MUST** be returned with the response.*

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